

PUBLIC NOTICE

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4
Water Management Division
61 Forsyth Street, S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED REMOVAL OF WATERS AND/OR POLLUTANTS FROM THE GEORGIA SECTION 303(d) LIST

Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act (CWA), 33 U.S.C. § 1313(d), and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) implementing regulation, 40 C.F.R. § 130.7(b)(1), require the State or EPA to identify water quality limited segments still requiring total maximum daily load, i.e., the § 303(d) list. 40 C.F.R. § 130.7(b)(6) allows waters and/or pollutants to be removed from an existing § 303(d) list if a good cause demonstration is provided for excluding each of the waters or pollutants from the list.

At this time, EPA has determined that the following waters and/or pollutants of concern should be proposed for removal from the State of Georgia's § 303(d) list for reasons indicated:

WATERBODY	POLLUTANT	GOOD CAUSE JUSTIFICATION FOR REMOVAL
COOSA RIVER BASIN		
3150104080 Canton Creek - Cherokee County	biota, habitat	more recent and accurate data ¹
3150104040 Long Swamp Creek - Pickens and Cherokee Counties	biota, habitat	more recent and accurate data ¹

3150102070 Lower Coosawattee River - Gordon, Gilmer and Murray Counties	habitat	Habitat alterations caused by flow regulation from Carters Lake Dam complex. Flow is not a pollutant.
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¹ More recent data and information located in individual waterbody file in the administrative record.

Persons wishing to comment on the proposed removals from the Georgia § 303(d) list or to offer new data or information regarding the proposed removals are invited to submit the same in writing no later than August 7, 2003 to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, Water Management Division, 61 Forsyth Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303, ATTENTION: Ms. Sibyl Cole, Standards, Monitoring and TMDL Branch. Ms. Cole's telephone number is 404-562-9437. Ms. Cole may also be contacted via electronic mail at cole.sibyl@epa.gov.

The administrative record, including technical information, data, and analyses, supporting the proposed delistings may be reviewed at 61 Forsyth Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Please bring the foregoing to the attention of persons whom you believe will be interested in this matter.

Carol L. Kemker for

06/30/2003

James D. Giattina, Director
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Date of Signature